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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 02-1031-A)

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In re Application of:	)	
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Engel, et al.	)	Examiner: Vanessa L. Ford
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Serial No. 10/673,054	)	
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Filed: September 26, 2003	)	Group Art Unit: 1645
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For: Cell Lysis Composition, Methods of Use,	)	Confirmation No.: 1228
Apparatus, and Kit	)	

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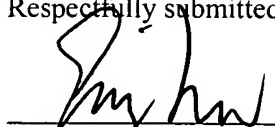
Sir:

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
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  - b) Response to Office Action dated August 26, 2005;
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Respectfully submitted,

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